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PRESS RELEASE

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN announced that **JEAN JACQUES MBWA-MUYOTO**, age 39, of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, was sentenced today to imprisonment for a period of "time served," (17 days), followed by supervised release for 3 years, a fine of \$5,000 and an assessment of \$100.00, by United States District Judge Gary L. Sharpe, in Albany, New York, for identity theft. Today's sentencing followed **MBWA-MUYOTO's** June 1, 2009 guilty plea.

MBWA-MUYOTO, a citizen of Canada, attempted to enter the United States from Canada at the Champlain Port of Entry on February 15, 2008. During United States Immigration and Customs Inspection, eight counterfeit credit cards and a counterfeit Quebec Drivers License were found in the possession of **JEAN JACQUES MBWA-MUYOTO**. The counterfeit credit cards contained account numbers that had been stolen in Canada. **JEAN JACQUES MBWA-MUYOTO** admitted that he intended to use the counterfeit cards in the United States.

This matter was investigated by the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Rouses Point, New York.

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